

Aug 24  
AD 79

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## Eruption of Vesuvius

In one of the empire's worst natural disasters, Vesuvius erupted, snuffing out Pompeii, Herculaneum, and STABIAE. The new emperor, TITUS, is praised for his relief efforts for the survivors.

Note: 970701 - They are still digging up dead bodies & artifacts.

79 AD

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Pompeii  
Eruption of Vesuvius

AD 79

Pompeii and Herculaneum entombed  
by the devastating eruption of Mount  
Vesuvius

79 AD

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Destruction of Pompeii  
and HERCULANEUM by  
eruption of Vesuvius

Aug, 24, AD 79

In destroying Pompeii, Vesuvius also preserved it for all time. Shopkeepers were closing their wooden shutters for lunch. Girls were gossiping at a corner fountain. A baker had just slid 81 loaves into his oven.

Some dug to bury their valuables - and were buried themselves.  
By the time Vesuvius fell quiet,

28 hours later, Pompeii was  
buried 20 feet deep in lava and  
2,000 of its 20,000 people were dead

Aug 24, A.D. 79

Aug 25, A.D. 79

Mt Vesuvius erupted for  
2 days.

Pliny the Elder, age 56  
was among casualties  
at STABIAE more than  
10 mi south of Vesuvius

1912 Dates J-BK

79-90? (88?)

76?

St. CLETUS n St Anacletus)

ANACLETUS succeeded

LINUS.

Third in progression.



79  
23-79

1912 Dates J-BK

Pliny the Elder (killed in Vesuvius  
Eruption)

"*Historia Naturalis*" comprising all the  
natural sciences divided into 37 books  
on 20,000 subjects by PLINY the ELDER  
(Gaius Plinius Secundus)

23 AD <sup>79</sup> → 79 AD

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PLINY the Younger  
'Natural History'

79 A.D.

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Eruption of Vesuvius  
destroys Pompeii

A.D. 79

When Mount Vesuvius erupted  
in A.D. 79, the colonizers  
of Naples' still spoke Greek

79-81

Titus was Emperor

79AD

23-79AD PLINY, THE ELDER  
GAIUS SECUNDUS

He was a great writer on many subjects. Desiring to investigate the phenomenon of the eruption of Vesuvius at the time of the destruction of HERCULANEUM and POMPEII, he landed at STABIAE and was suffocated by the vapor caused by the eruption.

Roman naturalist. born Cisalpine Gaul  
geography, anthropology, zoology, botany  
and mineralogy

79-81 AD

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## TITUS

He was son of Vespasian.

During his reign POMPEII and Herculaneum were destroyed by eruption of Vesuvius.

(note In 1998, they are still digging out people who were buried in this eruption.)

There was great suffering due to Pestilence in Rome. A Great Fire



nearly as great as Nero's fire,  
occurred.

The Colosseum was completed,  
accommodating over 40,000  
spectators

Earthquake  
accompanied eruption of Vesuvius